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To All Parties:

Good afternoon. In preparation for the DESC Avoided Cost hearing scheduled to begin on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, we provide the following information.

**Virtual Media Plan-Survey Monkey due by 4:45 p.m. on Monday, August 9, 2021:**

Please input the requested information for your witnesses and counsel. The information must be provided to the Commission no later than 4:45 p.m. on Monday, August 9, 2021. The IT Department needs this information to establish communication for the virtual hearing. Please contact Mr. Randy Erskine at 803-896-5100, or 803-896-5104, or [Randy.Erskine@psc.sc.gov](mailto:Randy.Erskine@psc.sc.gov) with any questions.

**Practices to Remember:**

Please remind your witnesses to close the “vidéo caméra” on their computer once advised they may step down from the witness stand by the Chairman.

Attorneys are asked to identify themselves when speaking or objecting during the virtual hearing proceeding so that the attorney may be quickly called upon or seen by the Chairman, presiding officer, and Commissioners. If you are called upon by the Chairman to comment, this is not necessary; however, it is necessary when you want to be called upon by the Chairman to comment or object.

Please do your best not to talk over another person so that the court reporter can hear everyone one and accurately record the testimony.

### **General Hearing Procedure:**

The Virtual Hearing will be conducted just as if the parties were physically present in the hearing room. The general procedure is outlined below (subject to change and adjustment as needed by the Chairman or Commission):

- (1) Gather prior to the start of the hearing, ready with all witnesses, to present your case when the hearing is called to order by the Chairman. The time may vary each day of the hearing and you are asked to plan to appear at least 40 minutes to one hour prior to the start time of the hearing. For a 10:00 start, this means that all parties and their witnesses must virtually appear on their respective computers/telephones at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Erskine will have previously sent an email or otherwise communicated with you on the method of media that will be used. If he has not, or you have not received an email, please contact him.
- (2) Advise PSC Attorney David Butler of any preliminary matters that may have arisen.
- (3) General order of hearings:
  - a. Call to Order
  - b. Reading of the Docket
  - c. Roll call of the Commissioners
  - d. Appearances of Counsel
  - e. Preliminary matters
  - f. Applicant calls first witness and each witness will be sworn in by the court reporter.
    - (i) One witness at a time (computer video camera must be on). All other witnesses must be ready and on standby to be called;
    - (ii) Upon the conclusion of questions, corrections, and the introduction of exhibits, cross examination by other party and/or commissioners.
    - (iii) Redirect (if any)
    - (iv) Re-cross (if any re-direct)
    - (v) Witness “steps down from witness stand” or is released and witness shall cut off computer video camera.
    - (vi) Next witness called.
  - g. Other parties are called one at a time to present their case or witness(es).
  - h. Closing Remarks (if any), any evidentiary matters, motions, confirmation of exhibits and numbering, date proposed orders are due.

### **(4) Exhibit Procedure:**

On behalf of the court reporter and for the clarity of the record, it is requested that when you present, discuss, question, or share an exhibit during this proceeding, you must state and identify the number of the exhibit.

**Cross-examination Exhibits:**

- (i) Each cross exhibit must be provided to the Commission in hard copy and as a pdf;
- (ii) Each cross examination exhibit must be sent electronically to Elise Wilson ([elise.wilson@psc.sc.gov](mailto:elise.wilson@psc.sc.gov));
- (iii) The cross examination exhibits shall be clearly identifiable, pre-marked, numbered individually, and provided in separate electronic pdf files.
- (iv) The pdf file name must include the cross examination exhibit number so the number of the exhibit is known without opening the pdf.
- (v) Ten hard copies of each cross examination exhibit must be delivered to Elise Wilson in sealed envelopes prior to the start of the hearing

Each attorney must be certain the other attorneys have their cross examination exhibits. Commission staff or counsel will make every attempt to provide a courtesy copy to all parties as a back-up, to place the exhibit on the DMS, and to hopefully prevent issues and delays between the parties. This courtesy does not relieve the attorney of his or her responsibility to provide the cross examination exhibit to other counsel.

If you are cross examining a witness, you must state the Exhibit Number as you have pre-numbered the exhibit so that the exhibit can be distributed. The copies provided to Ms. Wilson for the Commission (both electronic and hard copy) are not distributed until you present upon cross examination in accordance with standard trial practice and procedure just as if you were here in the hearing room.

If you are cross examining a witness, you are to provide the exhibit to all parties and to the witness using the information from the Virtual Media Plan. If your witness is under cross examination, you should also make sure that your witness has the cross examination exhibit. There is no change in the basics of handling exhibits and sharing documents with parties and witnesses in a virtual hearing.

The following are suggested ways to refer to an exhibit.

- (1) the pre-filed direct exhibit of ORS Witness Smith, TS-1, after entry into the record would be Hearing Exhibit No. 27. You could also refer to the exhibit as Hearing Exhibit No. 27, which is TS-1.
- (2) the pre-filed direct exhibits of Company Witness Jones, known as Jones Exhibits 1, 2, and 3, entered into the record as composite Hearing Exhibit No. 11. You should refer to exhibit as "Jones Exhibit No. 1 of Hearing Exhibit No. 11.
- (3) any cross examination exhibit presented to a witness upon cross examination would be referenced as you pre-marked and pre-numbered the exhibit. Once entered, the exhibit is known as Hearing Exhibit No. \_\_.

If you have any questions, please let us know. Please also remember to "REPLY ALL" so that every party to this Docket has the same information and to prevent any *ex parte* communication. Any e-mail message involving the Commission or Commission staff will be published on the DMS.

Yours sincerely,

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